Transitional Aid Application for Fiscal Year 2018 Division of Local Government Services Department of Community Affairs

General Instructions: This application must be submitted in its entirety by October 13, 2017 for funding consideration under this program. Information contained in the application is subject to independent verification by the Division. Refer to Local Finance Notice 2017-17 when preparing this application for specific instructions and definitions, and review the Submission Checklist on Page 7.

Name of Municipality: Contact Person: Terr		City of Trenton		County:	-Mercer			
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I. Aid History

List amount of Transitional Aid received for the last three years, if any:

	SFY 2016	SFY 2015
SFY 2017	100	\$24,860,000
10,000,000	\$20,000,000	\$24,800,000

II. Aid Request for Application Year: (All municipalities currently operating under a Transitional Aid MOU are advised that a decrease from prior year funding is likely.)

Amount of aid requested for the Application Year:	\$10,000,000
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If not seeking a decrease, a letter from the Mayor is required. See Local Finance Notice 2015-19.

III. Submission Requirements

The following items must be submitted with, or prior to, submission of this application. Indicate date of submission of each.

Date Submitted to DLGS
8/31/2017
12/30/16
3/16/17 Resolution Adopted
10/5/2017
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10/4/2017

IV. Application Certification

The undersigned herewith certify that they he or she has reviewed this application and, to his or her knowledge, believe the contents to be true and that it accurately portrays the circumstances regarding the municipality's fiscal practices and need for financial assistance. By submitting the application, the municipality acknowledges that the law provides that the decision of the Director regarding aid awards is final and not subject to appeal.

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V-A. Explanation of Need for Transitional Aid

Explain the circumstances that require the need for Transitional Aid in narrative form. Include factors that result in a constrained ability to raise sufficient revenues to meet budgetary requirements, and if such revenues were not raised, how it would substantially jeopardize the fiscal integrity of the municipality.

The City of Trenton is not unlike most of the State's older urban cities that can not generate enough local property tax revenue or other local revenues to support the services required for its citizens and the businesses and their employees located in the City. During the past several years, this historical problem has been exacerbated by the nation's economic downturn which has hit the urban areas of the State even harder than other areas. Although there are signs of some recovery, growth is still slow and the economic benefits to the City are not likely to occur during the current budget year.

Increasing taxes to the level necessary to meet the budgetary needs of providing these services would result in more and more citizens and businesses leaving the City, thus further diminishing the tax base of the City.

Since the 1980s, the State has agreed that many of the cities and towns in the State require additional aid over and above the normal formula driven programmatic aid to continue to provide even the basic services to the residents and businesses. Over the last few years, due to its own budget difficulties, the State has been forced to reduce the level of assistance it can provide Trenton and other cities and towns throughout New Jersey.

As with all cities and towns the City of Trenton has two options for dealing with budget shortfalls: raise revenues and/or decrease spending. Over the past few years Trenton has relied on a combination of these two options. However, the continued increase in property taxes places undue hardship on struggling homeowners in the City, many of whom are on fixed income. In addition, as more and more reductions in spending are made, critical services needed by residents are seriously diminished and in some cases eliminated.

The FY 2018 budget introduced by City Council on October 5, 2017 continued to reduce costs in several areas and takes into account the State's requirement to reduce the reliance on Transitional Aid. The introduced budget for FY2018 totals \$204 million.

The continued significant increase in property taxes would be very difficult on the residents and businesses in the City. The City was forced to raise taxes in FY 2010 of over \$12 million, or nearly 22.5%. Since then the tax increases have been much more modest, but each budget introduced since FY2010 has been forced to include a tax increase further increasing the financial burden on the residents of the City of Trenton.

The FY 2018 budget included \$10,000,000 for Transitional Aid. If the actual award is \$10,000,000 **the City will be required to increase taxes by \$2.3 million** in order to balance the FY 2018 budget. This would represent an increase of approximately 3%, on top of this

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substantial increase in previous years.

Exacerbating the City's budget problems is the fact that more than 50% of the City's property is currently exempt from property taxes. As of the revaluation which was completed in 2017, the State of New Jersey owns \$997,752,566 of property within the limits of the City of Trenton. **This total amounts for nearly half of all tax exempt property in the City**. These exemptions place the City of Trenton at a severe disadvantage when compared to other municipalities throughout the State. In addition, other public buildings (county, federal, etc.) account for over \$500 million in assessed value for a total of nearly \$1.5 billion, or more than 2/3rds of the total exempt property in the City.

If the City was receiving the municipal portion of the property tax from just the public owned tax exempt properties, the City would be collecting approximately \$80 million in additional property tax revenue (based on the FY2018 introduced tax rate). Of that amount, the property owned by the State of New Jersey would be generate \$49,438,640 in property tax revenue if the State paid its fair share of municipal tax levy. Given the City of Trenton's budget of just over \$200 million, this additional tax revenue from State-owned properties would represent nearly one quarter of the entire municipal budget.

In addition to the issues stated above, State agencies have also given notice that, within the next year, the State intends to execute lease-purchase options for properties that it is currently leasing from private owners. As this would move the properties from tax ratables to tax exempt properties, the burden placed on the City of Trenton from non-taxable properties only stands to grow. Without additional financial support from the State to compensate for these challenges, the City cannot reasonably expect to be able to afford the resources necessary to address economic development, public safety, and education concerns that are critical to the health and welfare of the City of Trenton and its residents.

V-C. Actions to Reduce Future Need for Aid

Detail the steps the municipality is taking to reduce the need for aid in the future. Include details about long-term cost cutting and enhanced revenue plans, impact of new development, potential for grants to offset costs, and estimated short and long-term annual savings. Use additional pages if necessary. (Items included in a Transition Plan submitted by a current recipient need not be repeated here.)

The FY 2018 budget that was presented to City Council on October 5, 2017 continued to reduce bloat and recognizes the need to return the capital city to the right size in order to provide critical and necessary services to the citizens of Trenton. It does, however, represent marked increases in expenditures supported by commensurate increases in revenue which has increased the total budget. The budget will be \$204 million.

The City will continue to be diligent in attempting to find ways to reduce costs and increase local revenues.

It is highly unlikely however those significant additional reductions in the workforce can be achieved due to the reductions noted above. Due to the restrictive nature of the current statutes and regulations on furloughs, it is not likely that City could enact a program that would be fair to its employees and generate significant savings. Furthermore the capital city needs to focus on rightsizing in order to provide necessary services – not cutting into those critical areas that provide for the health and welfare of its residents.

The City will continue to aggressively try to control salary increases as contract negotiations occur.

First, The City has moved to refinance large portions of its debt, enabling a decrease in long term debt obligations and a net cost-savings to the City. While those efforts have, to date, been quite successful, the City continues to aggressively review all outstanding debt to monitor further opportunities to refinance in the future. It is our expectation that these efforts will continue to be fruitful as long as the City has the resources to pursue them.

Second, the City also continues to take advantage of the pilot program begun FY 2013 that allows accelerated tax lien sales on-line rather than the current requirement that the potential purchaser has to appear in person. This has increased the number of bidders and thus resulted in the more liens being sold and potentially at a lower interest rate for the homeowners. The City has also engaged a third party firm for the collection of delinquent taxes which enhances the ongoing tax collection efforts and allows for the City to recoup much of its outstanding tax revenue, decreasing the need for additional assistance.

Third, the City has filled the position of Risk Manager with an experienced Risk Manager who has worked previously as Risk Manager for difficult municipalities like Camden, but also has served as an insurance adjustor in the private sector. This individual will serve to control much of the losses to the City but with a specific eye to Worker's Compensation. Already in his short time with the City, our Risk Manager has hit the ground running, seeking to track and limit our exposure in all forms of liability, including addressing the needs of the public when some homeowners fell victim to a water main break.

In addition, with great assistance from the State of New Jersey, the City has launched a widespread program to address vacant, blighted properties throughout the City. Bolstering our existing Vacant Property Registration process, the new initiative seeks to strategically acquire, demolish, and in some cases remediate vacant properties throughout the City. This initiative has, at is core, the goal of revitalizing neighborhoods, removing blight, and providing for the economic development of the entire city.

The City has also recently solicited for, and ultimately selected, its own health benefits plan. By engaging in this solicitation, the City was able to secure a quote from Aetna that will save at least \$3.6 million over 16 months when compared to the cost of the State Health Benefits plan. These savings also represent savings to our employees and the City is enthusiastic about continuing efforts such as this one to cut cost and pursue new ways of looking at entrenched programs to find budget efficiencies.

Finally the City has also completed its parking management study. A wealth of information was generated from the study and the need to refresh the downtown parking infrastructure lead to an RFI being issued for information from parking infrastructure companies worldwide. With six responses to the RFI and then seven responses to the subsequent RFP, the City is excited at the prospect of moving forward with a parking upgrade and the increased revenue that will come with it. Currently the City is working to secure funding for the replacement of 900 or our approximately 990 existing meters. Given that the current meters are outdated, do not accept credit cards or mobile payment, and only 70% of them are currently functional, the City expects to substantially increase the revenue from parking. Our projections to date show the new meters generating between \$1.2 and \$2.5 million in the first twelve months.

LONG TERM PLAN TO PHASE OUT TRANSITIONAL AID

Assuming that Trenton receives \$10 million for its FY 2018 budget, the requirement to provide a phase out plan of no more than 3 years would result in over \$3 million reductions in FY 2019 through FY 2021. A phase out of this magnitude is infeasible.

Under the following assumptions Trenton would face budget shortfalls of over \$6 million in the first year. The shortfall escalates in the second year when Transitional Aid will decrease to \$6.7 million in FY 2019 to approximately \$3.1 million in FY 2020, coupled with increase in salaries and other expenses.

Assumptions are as follows:

- 1) Transitional aid decrease by \$3.3 million per year; Other municipal aid remains constant
- 2) Property taxes increase by 2% per year
- 3) Spending is increased by 2% per year

The annual shortfall will have to be offset by additional reductions in employees and services provided and/or significant increases in property taxes. It is highly unlikely that a significant increase in ratables is going to occur in the next few years.

Based on the current status of the City budget, it is highly unlikely that the City of Trenton could achieve a phase-out of Transitional Aid over this period.

As was noted earlier, the City of Trenton should be looked at differently than the other Transitional Aid recipients since it is the State's Capital. As has been noted previously, the State of New Jersey owns nearly on quarter of the value of all property in the City. If the State paid the municipal property taxes the City would receive nearly \$50 million in property taxes based on proposed FY 2018tax rates. Absent this recognition that the a portion of the Transitional Aid should permanently be provided to the City as additional PILOT payments, the City will be faced with significant budget shortfalls depending on the phase out period of Transitional Aid and the amount of reduction each year.

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V-D. Discussion of Health Benefits

Skip this section if using SHBP. If not using SHBP, explain why the health benefit plan being used is cheaper, or what reasons exist for failing to move to SHBP. Additionally, list all brokers (primary broker, all co-brokers, and sub-brokers) together with their compensation for the current and prior two fiscal years. Compensation must be disclosed in this section whether provided directly by the municipality or as a commission from the insurance provider. It is the municipality's right, and obligation, to determine whether the broker is compensated with commission in order to fully complete this section. If commissions are being earned, provide both how the commission is calculated (percentage of premium or self-insurance) and the actual \$ value of the commission received in each year.

The City of Trenton moved from the SHBP to a private Aetna plan which is poised to save the City \$3.6 million over 16 months. Please find all of the information regarding the City's experience as well as the Private Aetna and proposed SHBP 2018 rates attached to this document.				

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VI. Historical Fiscal Statistics

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2016

2017

Introduced Application Year

1. Property Tax/Budget Information

Municipal	tax	rate

Municipal Purposes tax levy Municipal Open Space tax levy Total general appropriations

\$3.945	\$4.007 (restated as \$3.426) due to revaluation	\$3.476
\$76,265,996.69	\$78,472,173.49	\$81,567,031.80
\$0	\$0	\$
\$200,849,851.97	\$194,772,147.65	\$194,846,883.87

2. Cash Status Information

% Of current taxes collected
% Used in computation of reserve
Reserve for uncollected taxes
Total year end cash surplus
Total non-cash surplus
Year end deferred charges

94.035%	92.84%	%
94.035%	92.84%	91.94%
\$6,875,562	\$8,375,803.27	\$9,743,592.59
\$5,926,601.45	\$17,463,344.06	
\$17,694,303	\$6,455,314.66	
\$17,525,000	\$5,700,000.00	

3. Assessment Data

Assessed value (as of 7/1) Average Residential Assessment Number of tax appeals granted Amount budgeted for tax appeals Refunding bonds for tax appeals

\$1,996,653,658	\$2,019,401,562	\$2,395,945,829
\$64,123	\$74,997.66 (restated)	\$62,772
259	925	
\$0	\$0	\$0
\$0	\$0	\$0

4. Full time Staffing Levels

Uniformed Police - Staff Number
Total S&W Expenditures
Uniformed Fire - Staff Number
Total S&W Expenditures
All Other Employees - Staff Number
Total S&W Expenditures

236	246	256
\$32,411.024.17	\$30,619,374.55	\$29,998,675.19
218	210	224
\$23,658,465.00	\$22,422,365.00	\$23,672,476.25
537	534	485
\$21,628,249.85	\$26,105,152.70	\$28,819,490.60

5. Impact of Proposed Tax Levy

Amount

Current Year Taxable Value	2,395,945,829	
Introduced Tax Levy		81,567,031.28
Proposed Municipal Tax Rate	62,772	
Current Year Taxes on Average	2,178.18	
Prior Year Taxes on Average R	2,146.18	
Proposed Increase in average re	32.00	

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VII. Application Year Budget Information

A. Year of latest revaluation/reassessment

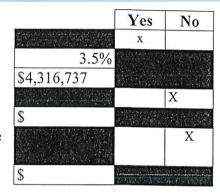
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B. Proposed Budget – Appropriation Cap Information

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- 1. Was an appropriation cap index rate ordinance adopted last year? If YES: % that was used
- 2. Amount of appropriation cap bank available going into this year
- 3. Is the Application Year budget at (appropriation) cap? If NO, amount of remaining balance
- 4. Does the Application Year anticipate use of a waiver to exceed the appropriation cap?

If YES, amount:



C. List the five largest item appropriation increases:

Appropriation	Prior Year Actual	Application Year Proposed	\$ Amount of Increase
Group Health	29,499,913.98	33,266,927	3,767,013.02
Pension & Social Security	18,375,630.46	21,067,000	2,691,369.54
Public Works	14,622,058.21	16,974,781.43	2,352,723.22
Fire	22,875,844.07	25,052,399.23	2,176,555.16
Municipal Debt Service	20,991,397.18	22,634,858.53	1,643,461.35

D. List all new property tax funded full-time positions planned in the Application Year:

Department/Agency	Position	Number	Dollar Amount
-	See Report of Unfilled Actives, Vacancies and New Positions Requested -Prorated at a Half Year Basis	166	3,573,372.50
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E. Display projected tax levies, local revenues (not grants), anticipated (gradually reduced) Transitional Aid, total salary and wages, and total other expenses projected for the three post-application years:

	Tax Levy	Local Revenues	Transitional Aid	Total S&W	Total OE
First year	\$84,945,408.79	\$13,742,435.29	\$8,500,000.00	\$84,140,454.84	\$124,541,830.68
Second year	\$86,644,316.97	\$15,742,435.29	\$7,225,000.00	\$85,823,263.94	\$127,032,667.29
Third year	\$88,377,203.31	\$15,742,435.29	\$6,141,250.00	\$87,539,729.22	\$129,573,320.64

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VIII. Financial Practices

A. Expenditure controls and practices:

-2	Question	Yes	No
1.	Is an encumbrance system used for the current fund?	X	
2.	Is an encumbrance system used for other funds?	X	
3.	Is a general ledger maintained for the current fund?	X	
4.	Is a general ledger maintained for other funds?	X	
5.	Are financial activities largely automated?	X	
6.	Does the municipality operate the general public assistance program?		X
7.	Are expenditures controlled centrally (Yes) or de-centrally by dept. (No)?		X
8.	At any point during the year are expenditures routinely frozen?		X
9.	Has the municipality adopted a cash management plan?	X	
10.	Have all negative findings in the prior year's audit report been corrected?		X
	If not, be prepared to discuss why not in your application meeting.		

B. Risk Management: Indicate ("x") how each type of risk is insured.

Coverage		JIF/HIF	Self	Commercial	
General liability			X		
Vehicle/Fleet liability			X		
Workers Compensation			X		
Property Coverage				X	
Public Official Liability			X		
Employment Practices Liability			X		
Environmental				X	
Health-AETNA	SHBP			X	

C. 1) Salary and Employee Contract Information (when more than one bargaining unit for each category, use average):

Question	Police	Fire	Other Contract	Non-Contract
Year of last salary increase	2017	2017	2017	
Average percentage increase	1.25%	1.25%	1.25%	%
Last contract settlement date	2015	2015	2016	
Contract expiration date	2018	2020	2018	

2) Explain, if any, actions that have been taken or are under consideration for the Application Year:

tract No	Other Contr	Fire	Police	Action
	NO	NO	NO	Furloughs (describe below)
NO		NO	NO	Wage Freezes (describe below)
	NO	NO	NO	Layoffs (describe below)
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D. Tax E	inforcement Practic		0		i				
1 Did the	e municipality com		Question legated tax sale	- hy I	une 30 if inclu	ded in	2017	Yes YES	No
	If not, please includ							1123	
	ete the sale in a time								
	nt earnings.			-1		Consideration in the state of the state of			
2. When	was the last foreclo	sure action ta	ıken or tax assi	ignme	ent sale held:		Date:	8/1/2	2017
3. On wh	at dates were tax de	elinquency no	otices sent out	in 20	16:			March 2	016,Sept
Date:								2016 and	
4. Date o	f last tax sale:						Date:	6/26	5/17
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			Service		118			Yes	No
_	olice or firefighters of civilians)	are used to h	andle emergen	ncy se	ervice call-takir	ng and	dispatch		NO
The mun	icipality provides r	ear-yard solid	d waste collect	tion th	rough the bud	get			NO
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2016	\$70,028.61	2017	\$222,418.48		Anticipated Application Y	ear:	\$222,46	53.77	
2. List	the instruments in	which idle fu	nds are investe	ed:					
New Jers	ey Cash Manageme	ent Fund							
	nt was the average r		stments during	g SFY	72017?				.56%
5. The	name and firm of t	he municipal	ity's auditor?			Merca	dien		
6. Wh	en was the last time	the municip	ality changed a	audito	ors?				
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	Employee Group		Expiration Date		Status of N	egotiat Agreer		xpired	
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PBA LOCAL 11

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TSOA	12/31/2018	
AFSCME LOCAL 2286	12/31/2018	
AFSCME LOCAL 2281	12/31/2018	

H. Tax Abatements. Please provide a detailed discussion of any short-term or long-term tax abatements that are currently in place or are currently being negotiated including the following information:

		·	2017	2017 Taxes If Billed in Full	
Project	Type of	2017 PILOT	Assessed	at 2016 Total	Term of Tax
Name/Property	Project	Billing	Value	Tax Rate	Abatement
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of services, tial spending.											
List actions that limited or reduced Other Expense costs: i.e., reductions, changes, or elimination of services, procurement efficiencies or restraint. Include changes in spending policies that reduce non-essential spending.	Explanation of Change										
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Local Revenues and services provided though the General/Current Fund	Check if services is provided	Are fees charged to cover the costs of the program?	If fees do not cover costs, what is the amount of subsidy?	If there is a subsidy, explain why fees cannot be increased to reduce or eliminate subsidy.	in why fees cannot be eliminate subsidy.
Recreation programs	×	Partial			
Sewer Fees	×	Yes			
Water Fees	×	Yes			
Swimming Pool	×	No			
Uniform Construction Code	×	Yes			
Uniform Fire Code	×	Partial			
Land Use Fees	×	Yes			
Parking Fees	×	Yes			
Beach Fees					
Insert other local fees below:					
Vital Statistics	×	Partial			
Marriage Civil Union	×	Partial			
Slaughter House	×	Partial			
Dog Licensing	×	Partial			
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X. Service Delivery

formal and informal shared services, memberships in cooperative purchasing program, private (commercial), or non-profit organization. List all services that the municipality contracts to another organization: i.e., shared services with another government agency, including

Year Last Negotiated (as applicable)	On Going	2016	2016	ıt 2015	2016
Estimated Amount of Contract	N/A	16,000	17,202.25	Reimbursement of overtime up to \$80,000	Increase share of County forfeiture dollars
Name of Contracted Entity	Homeland Security Render and Detect Safe Program/Trenton	US Marshall's Fugitive Task Force	Drug Enforcement Agency	Homicide Task Force	Vice Task Force
Service	Trenton K9's participate in the Render and Detect Safe Deployments throughout the state and Trenton. The team provides infrastructure security, training, vehicle, and manpower when needed during a homeland security incident.	The fugitive task force deputizes a Police Officer and allows us to look for and arrest highly sought out individuals without jurisdictional issues. The U.S. Marshall's reimburses for Officer overtime, a vehicle is provided, and we receive a portion of forfeiture funds received from arrests.	An Officer assigned to work with the DEA to participate in high level drug investigations/seizures. DEA provides manpower, equipment, vehicles and we receive portions of forfeiture monies from seizures made.	Homicide Task Force. The Homicide Task Force shall be responsible for investigating all homicides, suspicious deaths, police related shooting and. or incidents involving death or serious long term missing persons investigations, Child Abduction Response Team activations and any other incident deemed necessary for a response by the Mercer County Prosecutor or his designee.	Vice Task Force shall be responsible for conducting all local undercover operations to combat illicit drug trafficking in Mercer County and any other incident deemed necessary for a response by the Mercer

County Prosecutor or his designee			3
Shared Services Agreement for the provision for Emergency Medical Dispatch	Mercer County	225,000	2017
Healthcare services for underinsured and uninsured residents	Henry J Austin	259,000	2017
Pool Management Services	YMCA of Trenton	262,475.37	2017
Substance Abuse Prevention and Education	Trenton Municipal Alliance Committee	31,609.25	2017
Hazard Mitigation Plan	Mercer County		2016
Mutual Aid Fire Protection	Mercer County		On going
Emergency Management	Mercer County		On going
Hazmat Response Team	Mercer County		On going
Commodity Distribution Point	Mercer County		On going
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Application Year: SFY 2018	Section XI – Impact of Limited or No Aid Award	Describe in complete detail the impact if aid is not granted for the current fiscal year; this priority setting requires that the municipality will maintain a minimum level of essential services. List the appropriate category of impact if the aid is not received. Rank each item from both lists as to the order in which elimination will take place. If across the board cuts will be made, indicate under service. For rank order purposes, consider the two sections as one list. The cuts outlined here are one that the municipality is committing to make if they do not receive aid.	Department					If services will be reduced, describe the service, impact and cost savings associated with it.	Service					
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XII. Agreement to Improve Financial Position of Municipality

If aid is granted, the municipality will be required to submit to certain reporting conditions and oversight as authorized by law and a new Memorandum of Understanding will need to be signed. Please mark each box below indicating that the applicant understands, and agrees to comply with these broad reporting and oversight provisions.

		Yes	No
1.	Allow the Director of Local Government Services to assign management,	Yes	
	financial, and operational specialists to assess your municipal operations.		
2.	Implement actions directed by the Director to address the findings of	Yes	
	Division staff.		
3.	Enter into a new Memorandum of Understanding and comply with all its	Yes	
	provisions, without exception.		

XIII. Certification of Past Compliance for Municipalities Currently Operating Under a Transitional Aid MOU:

The undersigned certify that the municipality is in substantial compliance with the conditions and requirements of the 2017 MOU and is moving in good faith to correct those areas of noncompliance that have been identified, including, but not limited to, the following: establishment of a pay to play ordinance; termination of longevity pay for officers and employees not contractually entitled to longevity pay; termination of health benefits for part time officers and employees; receipt of signed approval forms as required prior to hiring personnel and contracting with professional service vendors.

Mayor:	Date: 10/12/17
Chief Financial Officer: axil Schoenfaar	_Date: _ 10/13/17
Chief Administrative Officer:	Date: 10/12/17
XIV. CAMPS Certification (County and Municipal Personnel System - (municipalities only)	Civil Service
For Civil Service municipalities, the undersigned, being knowledgeable thereof, he municipality has placed the names of all current civil service employees in NJ "CA	
Human Resources or Personnel Director:	Date: 10/12/201
Chief Financial Officer:aret Schrenhaar	_ Date: <u>0/3/17</u>

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XV. CERTIFICATION OF APPLICATION FOR TRANSITIONAL AID

The undersigned acknowledges the foregoing requirements with which the municipality must comply in order to receive aid as outlined above. In addition, included with this application is a copy (printed or electronic) of the budget documentation that supports the budget calculation that was provided to the

governing body.

Mayor: ______ Date: 10/13/17

Chief Financial Officer: Date: 10/13/17

Chief Administrative Officer: Date: 10/12/17